LACDMH LONG BEACH HOSTS ART GALLERY SHOW By Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige, Public Information Officer



Participants of the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) Long Beach Children & Adolescent Program (LBCAP) Art Empowerment Group proudly displayed their art in a gallery show on Monday, December 9th.

The gallery who was held at the clinic and showed off the artwork created in the LBCAP's 11-week group that is run twice a year for female clients between the ages of 11-18 years old. The show, themed *Read Between the Lines*, was an opportunity for them to proudly celebrate their creativity and their efforts.



The art shown at the gallery was categorized by themes. Some showed off how their current lives are, what they'd like their futures to look like, and how they will accomplish their goals. Students used various types of mixed media to create their unique works of art.

The Art Empowerment Group was the most recent winner of the Team of the Year Award for the 2013 LACDMH Employee of the Year Awards. The group dedicated this gallery show to Sharon Federation. Federation worked at LACDMH for 27 years as a registered nurse and suddenly passed away on October 30th at the age of 63 years old.